

ROUMANIA JOINS ALLIES: RAIL HEADS SEE WILSON AGAIN

ROUMANIANS ENTER WAR FOR ALLIES

Crown Council Declares War Against Austria, Opening Way For Russians to Strike Bulgaria.

FRUIT OF ENTENTE'S WORK FOR TWO YEARS

New Ally Will Put Army of 500,000 in Field Besides Opening New Avenue of Attack on Enemies.

BULLETIN.

ROME, Aug. 28.—A Bucharest dispatch to the Messenger states that Roumania's declaration of war against Austria-Hungary was followed by the breaking off of diplomatic relations between Roumania and Germany, Turkey and Bulgaria, their ministers leaving Bucharest with the Austrian envoy.

THE HAGUE, Aug. 28.—The Roumanian minister to Germany will be handed his passport at once, says a dispatch from Berlin. This indicates that Germany will declare war on Roumania in retaliation for the Roumanian declaration of war against Austria-Hungary.

PARIS, Aug. 28.—It was officially announced in Bucharest today that Roumania has declared war on Austria-Hungary.

The decision to enter the war on the side of the allies was reached after a crown council held on Sunday.

Roumania is the fourteenth nation to enter the war, there being 10 on the side of the entente and four on the side of the central powers.

It is estimated that Roumania will be able to put 500,000 men in the field, but in addition to this reinforcement of troops the countries entrance into the war opens the way for the Russians to drive at the Austro-German and Bulgarian troops in the Balkans.

Russia's Army Waiting.

Russia massed an enormous army upon the Roumanian frontier waiting for the Roumanian declaration of war which she was sure would be forthcoming. These troops can now drive into Serbia by way of Roumania thus cutting off communication between Germany and Turkey.

Bulgaria, long fearing a hostile move by Roumania massed three divisions, the first of the Sofia, the sixth of Vidin and the fourth of Preslava, upon the Roumanian frontier. Following the Roumanian peace assurances of several months ago and the withdrawal of a corresponding Roumanian force many of drawn and sent into Greece Macedonia.

Roumania borders Hungary and the invasion of the Transylvanian plains across the lowing ranges of mountains on the frontier is believed to offer no serious obstacles at this time as a result of the pressure being exerted against the Austro-Hungarians in Galicia and the Italian theater of war.

Laborers Two Years.

For two years representatives of the entente and Teutonic powers have labored in Roumania to secure the support of this country.

Except for the overwhelming forces arrayed against the Teutonic allies Bulgaria would probably welcome Roumania in the war for Bulgaria has borne bitter enmity against this country ever since the second Balkan war when Roumania joined Serbia and Greece against Bulgaria. As a result of this conflict Bulgaria had to give up territory to all three of her enemies.

Before the declaration of war was announced King Ferdinand held conferences with representatives of all the political parties, former presidents of the legislative chambers, ministers and governmental officials, to get their views on Roumania's future policy.

Seize Wheat Stores.

Gen. Averoff, former minister of war, is to command the Roumanian army, it is reported.

The Bucharest Journal Deputata quotes M. Filipescu as saying that Russian forces would proceed across the Poldrussa against Bulgaria within 10 days, although this route is registered mail from Lake George to New York.

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Greece May Follow Roumania Into the Ranks of Entente

International News Service.

ROME, Aug. 28.—The entry of Roumania in the war on the side of the allies will undoubtedly have a powerful effect on the Greek government and confident predictions were made here today that Greece will soon follow Roumania.

Dispatches from Athens convey intimations that Greece is drifting toward war and that she will probably make formal declaration of war against Bulgaria when she embarks definitely upon the course of hostilities.

Leave of absence has been granted to Gen. Dousmanis, chief of the Greek general staff, who has been accused of pro-Germanism. It is believed that Gen. Dousmanis will not return to his old post.

BULGARIANS OCCUPYING GREEKS' PORT SEIZE STORES OF MUNITIONS

International News Service.

SALONIKI, Aug. 28.—Bulgarian troops that occupied the Aegean port of Kavala seized great stores of Greek war supplies.

None of the guns nor munitions had been removed from the Greek forts at Kavala and when the Bulgarians took possession of these forts they took over all the war supplies they could find.

Serious damage has been inflicted upon the Kavala forts by British warships which have been bombarding Kavala and its works at intervals since last Friday.

Complete details of the fighting at Kavala have not been received here, but it is known that a number of Greeks were killed.

Seven Greek officers who escaped from Kavala in a boat have landed on the island of Thasosvau, where a volunteer battalion is being formed to fight the Bulgarians.

FIGHT BOYCOTT WITH U. S. FORCES

Sen. Thomas Proposes Detention of Ships Discriminating Against America.

International News Service.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.—Sen. Thomas of Colorado, today introduced an amendment to the emergency revenue bill authorizing the president to "employ such part of the land or naval forces" as shall be necessary to combat foreign blacklists and boycotts against American trade.

The amendment would empower the president to order the detention of any vessel discriminating against American shippers or refusing to accept a cargo for delivery to a foreign port. Authority also would be conferred on the president to withhold clearance to the vessels of any belligerent nation or group of nations discriminating against American commerce until they "shall restore to American vessels and citizens reciprocal liberty of commerce and equal facilities of trade."

Sen. Thomas' proposal is an amplification of his amendment tacked to the shipping bill by the senate authorizing the secretary of the treasury to withhold clearance to vessels refusing to accept cargoes for foreign delivery. The proposed amendment is expected to provoke considerable discussion on account of the British representations against the shipping bill.

BOYS WRECK CHURCH

Four Lads Do Hundreds of Dollars Damage to Flint Institution.

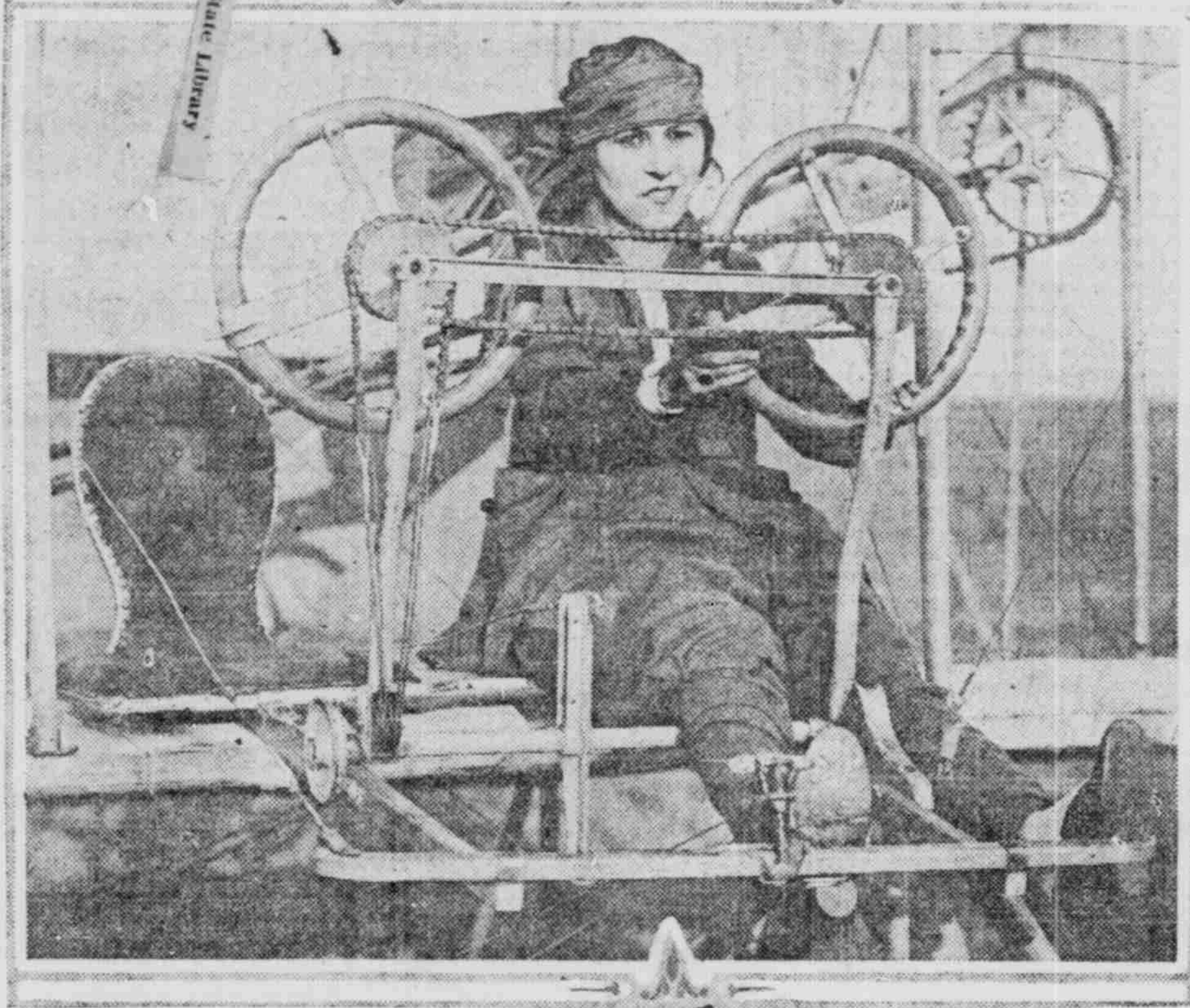
News-Times Special Service.

PLANT, Mich., Aug. 28.—Four small boys, the oldest not more than eight years, admitted today when questioned by the police, that they had wrecked the interior fittings of the Methodist Protestant church here. Discovery of the vandalism was made last night. Carpets had been ripped up, chairs and piano demolished, dishes in the dining room smashed and even the Bible hurled from its place in the pulpit. Hymn books and other religious literature were torn up. The damage is estimated at several hundred dollars. The boys give no reason for their act.

STEAL \$30,000 FROM U. S. MAIL POUCH

GLENN FALLS, Aug. 28.—The theft of \$30,000 from a United States mail pouch was revealed today when postoffice inspectors arrived here to investigate. It is said that they have few clues on which to work. The money was stolen while en route by registered mail from Lake George to New York.

Woman Flyer Wants Military License



Mrs. Pierce, who formerly was Miss Dorothy Rice of New York, has successfully passed all tests for an aviation license. She will soon undergo tests necessary for qualification as a United States aviator. If the government declines her service, it is said, she will try to join the French aviation corps. Her husband is in the American ambulance corps in France.

U.S. to Get Two "Unfavorable" Replies to Notes This Week On Boycott and Mail Issue

International News Service.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.—Great Britain's reply to the boycott protest, and the Anglo-French answer to the interference with the mails protests of this government, probably will reach Washington this week. In both instances replies will be unfavorable.

Diplomatic advisers to that effect reached here today. The French foreign office, it is said, at last has agreed to uphold the British contention that all mail to and from "enemy" countries must be censored as a matter of absolute necessity. And so far as the boycott note by this government is concerned, it is understood that England will justify her action on the ground that this government can force relief in view of the existing arbitration treaties which would force submitting all disputes to the arbiters already appointed. There is not the slightest doubt that both Great Britain and France would stand on their rights under these treaties and thus prevent any definite action.

35,000 VETERANS AT KANSAS CITY ENVOY'S TEARS FAIL GERMANY

Grand Encampment of G. A. R. Opens With Clear, Cool Weather.

International News Service.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 28.—The 50th annual grand encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, together with its affiliated organizations, opened here today. It is estimated that nearly 35,000 visitors were on hand this morning, and the crowds kept pouring in. By tomorrow night, when the first real convention meeting is held, it is expected that fully 50,000 veterans with their friends and families will be in the city.

The opening day's program consisted of a meeting of the executive committee of the Grand Army this morning and a meeting of the credential committee in the afternoon. Cool, sunshiny weather greeted the veterans.

The members of the council were surrounded by crowds as they left the meeting and demonstrations of enthusiasm were immediately organized throughout the city.

RAILROAD BUILDER IS DEAD IN CALIFORNIA

International News Service.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 2.—Anthony Walsh, vice president of the Rock Island and Southern Railway Co., who with his sons, promoted and built that railroad is dead here following a stroke of palsy.

Walsh was 83 years old and one of the early pioneers of Illinois and Iowa.

"WOMAN'S CODE" MAY SAVE SLAYER

Mrs. Adams Claims Clear Conscience in Shooting Alleged Betrayer.

International News Service.

MACON, Ga., Aug. 28.—With a revolver concealed in her skirt and ready to shoot on sight, Mrs. H. C. Adams, slayer of Capt. Edgar Sprattling, made a fruitless search for a victim nine days before she actually slew him, according to developments brought to light in the case today.

According to Miss Della Hampton, life-long friend of the slayer, Mrs. Adams, tortured by the knowledge that she was to become a mother, unbundled her heart to her husband two weeks ago and demanded that he kill Sprattling. Next day she secured a revolver and went to Sprattling's office in Atlanta, but he had gone to the mobilization camp at Macon. She kept the revolver until she came to Macon, where she carried out her determination.

The "woman's code" probably will be added to the "unwritten law" as a defense for homicide, according to developments today. Mrs. Adams declares she is mentally sound and that her conscience alone prompted her to kill Sprattling. This statement is borne out by the statement of Miss Hampton, "Mrs. Adams is perfectly sane," she declared. "Her act was a woman's right and according to the woman's code." The possibility of this new defense being made is attracting the attention of lawyers throughout the state. It is the first time it has ever been advanced in this state and probably in the country.

TRIES TO ROB BANK TO START POOL ROOM

International News Service.

BROWNSVILLE, Ind., Aug. 28.—Ready to waive preliminary hearing on charges of assault and battery, Herschel Phillips, the 17-year-old would-be bandit, today told authorities that his overwhelming desire to buy a pool room caused him to attempt to rob the Medora State bank and shoot Miss Mera Hunsucker, the assistant cashier, through the head. He said he did not want to injure her, but that his nerve gave way and he shot blindly, then fleeing. Phillips until today was at New Albany, where he was taken Saturday when violence was feared.

INDIANA BAKERS WILL TALK OVER HIGH PRICES

International News Service.

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 28.—Frank Middleton of Marion, Ind., secretary of the Indiana Association of Master Bakers, has issued a call for a conference Sept. 12 to discuss the effect of the high price of flour on the bread situation. Spiritually, it will amount to a discussion of the much discussed 10-cent loaf.

Vandalia Man Shoots Relative, Climax of Feud

News-Times Special Service.

CASSOPOLIS, Mich., Aug. 28.—As a climax to a family quarrel which started more than three years ago, Charles Hawks shot and seriously wounded George Copley, his brother-in-law, at Vandalia Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Hawks is a sister of Copley and since her marriage about three years ago her husband and brother have had trouble. Sunday afternoon, Copley called at the house and the two quarrel. Then the shooting took place.

Sheriff Charles Reed arrested the assailant.

BABE OF 19 MONTHS KIDNAPED THIRD TIME, NOW BY HER FATHER

International News Service.

CHICAGO, Aug. 28.—For the third time during her career Beverly Lorraine Whittegrave, 19 months old granddaughter of Col. James A. Muligan, civil war hero, was kidnapped yesterday. Her father spirited the child away in an automobile from the home of his mother, Mrs. A. M. Whittegrave, and is now on the way to Birmingham, Ala., according to information given to the police.

The father is Beverly S. Whittegrave, an automobile salesman, who was recently divorced from the child's mother.

Following divorce proceedings, a legal battle was waged for the custody of the child. During the struggle for the child she has been kidnapped twice before, the last time Aug. 21, when the mother took her from the home of Whittegrave's mother.

Two weeks ago Judge Foell awarded her custody to the father, but last week reversed his decision, transferring her care to the mother with the provision that Whittegrave should be allowed to see her whenever he chose.

BARE PLOT TO STEAL E. H. HARRIMAN'S SON

International News Service.

ST. ANTHONY, Idaho, Aug. 28.—Through the arrest here of three men, local authorities claim to have bared a plot to kidnap Roland Harriman, son of the late E. H. Harriman, and hold him for \$100,000 ransom. The men gave the names of Martin Lufkin, David McVoy and Ralph Zufelt. According to local authorities they have confessed.

Lufkin was arrested at the ranch where young Harriman is spending his vacation. He had just secured a job there when the police arrested him.

CHICAGO EDUCATOR IS HURT IN AUTO CRASH

DANVILLE, Ill., Aug. 28.—John D. Schoep, superintendent of Chicago schools, was recovering in a hospital here today from the serious injuries received in an automobile crash yesterday. It was feared for a time that he was fatally hurt, but physicians said today he would recover.

DEMOCRATS GET PLANS UNDER WAY

Vance McCormick Luncheon With Wilson and Discusses Coming Campaign.

International News Service.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.—Plans for getting the democratic national campaign under full headway by the end of the current week were being perfected here today. Vance McCormick, chairman of the democratic national committee, began a series of conferences which will last until midnight tonight. Before he returns to New York he expects to have all details completed for the notification of Pres't Wilson at Shadow Lawn, N. J., next Saturday.

Only failure to meet a strike on the railroads of the country will prevent the notification at that time, the national chairman said.

McCormick lunched at the white house with Pres't Wilson today. He told of the plans that had been made to date for the campaign and especially of what is being done in the Maine fight in which the president is much interested.

It is understood that the president today would urge Chairman McCormick to make every effort to increase the democratic majority in both houses of congress.

"All of our advice are of a most encouraging nature," said Chairman McCormick today. "The great mass of the progressive strength in this country is lining up for the reelection of Pres't Wilson and a democratic congress."

OUTLOOK IS GLOOMY AS CONFERENCE WITH WILSON IS RESUMED

Road Presidents Have Counter Proposition To Present To Nation's Chief Executive But May Withhold It If He Suggests New Plan.

BULLETIN.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.—Following a conference of an hour and 10 minutes between Pres't Wilson and the committee of eight railway presidents it was stated that no definite decision yet had been reached.

"We will have a statement later," said Hale Holden, chairman of the committee.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.—A committee of eight railway presidents, headed by Hale Holden, chairman of the conference committee, went into conference with Pres't Wilson at 2:26 this afternoon.

The committee carried with it the compromise proposition agreed upon rejecting the president's offer that they give the men the eight-hour work day on a 10-hour pay basis, but did not know whether they would present it.

"That will depend on the president," they said. "If he has another plan to propose naturally we will consider it."

W. G. Lee, grand chief of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen this afternoon issued the following statement:

"It seems evident from press reports that the railway companies represented here are determined to force a strike rather than accept the compromise settlement offered by Pres't Wilson."

"The labor organizations refuse positively to arbitrate the question of an eight-hour day simply because we now have an eight-hour day in effect on many of the southern and southwestern roads and do not propose to arbitrate whether we shall retain something that we have had for years and that we secured peacefully."

Dispute Cost Issue.

"The railways' former claim that our request would cost \$100,000,000 has been split 50-50 and we are reminded of the statement that 'figures won't lie, but liars will figure.'"

The railways know full well that the eight-hour day will not cost \$25,000,000 per annum if properly applied.

"We are still the guests of Pres't Wilson and will remain here."

While railway executives and brotherhood chieftains milled about in headquarters today, the president was wondering what the outcome would be. Pres't Wilson continued his efforts to prevent a general railroad strike. He deliberately deferred a planned morning conference with the railway heads in order to get additional time to perfect his plans. And, despite the depression everywhere else shown, the president, it was learned, still believes that he will find a way out.

Puts It Up to Lane.

The president practically has put the working out of a solution that will satisfy all sides up to Franklin K. Lane, secretary of the interior. For years as a member of the interstate commerce commission, Lane was familiarizing himself with railroad affairs. He is bringing his experience to bear on the various proposals of settlement and is aiding the president in his self-imposed task of preventing industrial chaos.

While the president withholds details it was learned officially that what he now wants is that both sides agree to submit all questions in dispute to the Newlands commission, the railroads, however, first accepting the basic principle of the eight-hour day in at least an amended form. Then the president intends asking congress specifically to authorize the Newlands commission to act in the case. It was stated that, despite the fact that the 440 union chairmen before leaving for their homes yesterday instructed their committee of 24 left here to handle details, not to arbitrate the eight-hour day, the president is convinced that these instructions are elastic enough to permit the essentials of compensation to be based on by the Newlands commission.

Will Reject Counter Plan.

It generally was accepted that the president would tell the railroad executives that he could not accept their counter proposal. Then he was expected to sound them out on his general plan. Later he will confer with the brotherhood chiefs and try to get their views on suggestions. If a sentiment can be created in both organizations favorable to the plan then the president will suggest that both sides name a committee of not more than four to act with him in drawing up an agreement of just what the Newlands commission shall pass upon.

Meanwhile preparations for congressional action along other lines have been deferred. No arrangements have been made for a joint session. The president will continue consultation of congressional leaders—republicans as well as democrats—in an effort to agree on a plan to be submitted for his latest one if the latter is finally rejected.

Attacks Pennsylvania.

The brotherhood chiefs today issued a bitter rejoinder to the statement issued by Samuel Rea, president of the Pennsylvania, in which the latter asserted "that rather than give up arbitration the executives regard it as better to face a strike."

The statement declared that the Pennsylvania has refused to permit arbitration by five roads that it controls, and then, in conclusion says: "What was the attitude of the Pennsylvania railroad toward its shopmen in their efforts to organize two years since, and how many millions did the company spend to defeat organization and deny arbitration. Is consistency a jewel?"

Shortly after 11 o'clock Sen. Newlands with Sen. Kern went into conference with Acting Atty. Gen. Todd and Mediation Commissioner Chambers at the attorney general's office. It was stated that the entire situation was to be discussed and that later a representative of the interstate commerce commission would be asked to participate.

Unsettled Situation.

Sen. Newlands said on leaving the conference, which lasted nearly two hours, that they had carefully canvassed the entire railway situation with an especial view to determining whether any new legislation was needed. He said that no concrete decision had been reached, but that a number of possibilities still were under consideration.

The senator was asked whether the conference considered the possibility of amending the existing anti-trust laws, which now specifically exclude labor unions from their operation, so that they would be included, thus giving the administration a final weapon to hold the brotherhoods in line, but he refused to elaborate on his original statement.

Presidents Concerned.

The railway presidents were much concerned when they learned that the conference with Pres't Wilson had been postponed. They admitted that they believed it indicated that their counter proposal was headed straight for the waste basket. Many of them expressed the belief that the president had already started preparation of a new suggestion to end the danger of a strike which will include the eight-hour day on the 10-hour basis which he already has endorsed, but which will now be coupled with a definite legislative program which will make it possible for the railroads to settle their difficulties with their employees. By offering such a plan he would keep the railroads on the defensive.

Brotherhoods Wait.

Meanwhile the sub-committee members of the brotherhood waited in their hotel. They declared that they rested their case entirely with the president; that they had accepted his original plan, and intended to (CONTINUED ON PAGE SEVEN.)